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Secretary,	EDWARD J. MULCAHY
Health Officer,	DR. C. D. MCCARTHY
Plumbing Inspector,	NELSON C. ELLIOTT
Sanitary Inspector,	JOHN O'BRIEN

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RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

SECTION 1. **Regular meetings.**—The regular meeting of this Board shall be held on the second and fourth Monday of each month at eight o'clock p. m., unless otherwise ordered. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 2. **Special meetings.**—Special meetings of the Board may be called by the president upon his own motion, or in his absence by the Clerk of the Board, upon the written request of three members of the Board. Notice, written or verbal, shall be sent to each member of the Board to attend such meetings, but at such special meetings no ordinance or regulation shall be made, repealed, or changed, unless all members of the Board shall be present.

SEC. 3. **Appointments.**—No appointment, transfer or dismissal of any secretary or subordinate shall be made except by the Board.

SEC. 4. **Officers to take oaths.**—All officers appointed by this Board and appointees thereunder shall take the constitutional oath of office and shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board and no longer, except as it is or may be specially provided by law.

SEC 5. **Order of business.**—The following shall be the order of business at meetings of the Board, unless otherwise ordered:

1. Reading of minutes for information.
2. Reports of standing committees.
3. Reports of special committees.
4. Reports of officers of the Board.
5. Complaints.
6. Communications and bills.
7. Resolutions.
8. Miscellaneous.
9. Reading of minutes.

SEC. 6. Resolutions.—All resolutions shall be submitted to the Board in writing.

SEC. 7. Committees.—The standing committees shall be as follows:

1. Finance, account and salaries.
2. Laws, ordinances, regulations and printing.
3. Night-soil and general nuisances.
4. Sewers, sewerage, drainage, wells and water supply.
5. Vital statistics and infectious diseases.
6. Dairy products.

SEC. 8. Duties of committees.—To the Finance Committee shall be referred all questions in respect to expenses and salaries, and all bills shall be submitted to them for audit. To the Committee on Law and Ordinance shall be referred all matters and subjects of laws and ordinance; and to the other committees, respectively, such matters and subjects as would appropriately be considered by the committee named.

SEC. 9. Appointment of committees.—Standing and special committees shall, unless otherwise ordered by the Board, be appointed by the president and shall each consist of three members.

SEC. 10. Office hours.—The health officer and inspectors shall be considered always on duty.

SEC. 11. Hearings and complaints.—Complaints concerning matters affecting public health or the safety of life must be made to the Board or its officers in writing. All written communications must be signed by the party or parties making the complaint. This Board will not consider itself under obligations to entertain complaints contained in anonymous communications.

SEC. 12. Suspension or orders.—The president, or in his absence, the chairman pro tem. of the Board, shall have power to suspend the execution of any order, but the suspension of any order shall extend only to the next meeting of the Board, when every suspension since the last meeting shall be by him reported to the Board and entered on its minutes. No suspension shall be of any effect unless the same be in writing and a copy of the same filed with the Clerk of the Board.

SEC. 13. Duties and powers of health officer.—The health officer is directed and empowered to execute and enforce all sanitary regulations of general obligation now or hereafter to be published by this Board; also to enter upon or within any premises where conditions dangerous to the public health are known or believed to exist, and to examine into the nature of complaints made by any of the inhabitants concerning sources of danger or injury to health; and he shall preserve accurate records of his official actions and report the same in writing to the Board of Health at its next meeting. And whenever

in his judgment danger to public health shall arise requiring special regulation not of general application, he shall forthwith notify the president of the Board of Health, who shall thereupon convene the Board to take such action as may be necessary and proper. It shall be his duty to attend upon and furnish medical treatment to all poor persons afflicted with any contagious or epidemic disease whenever requested to do so by the Board of Health. He shall attend all regular meetings of the Board, unless excused, or reasonable cause be shown for his absence.

SEC. 14. Duties of Sanitary Inspector.—

1. He shall perform, under the direction of the Board of Health, or under the direction of the Health Officer, all duties imposed upon him, by special direction, and shall also enforce all rules and regulations of this Board, and the Code and Sanitary ordinances, at any time in force.

2. He shall make inspections of the City of Geneva, and keep himself informed in regard to the nuisances existing within said city.

3. On receiving notice or information of the existence of any nuisance within said city, or of the breach of any by-laws, or regulations made by this Board for the suppression of nuisances, he shall forthwith visit the spot, and inquire into such alleged nuisance or breach of by-laws or regulations.

4. He shall from day to day enter, or cause to be entered, in a book to be provided by and kept in the office of this Board, particulars of his inspection, and of the action taken by him in the execution of his duties, and shall by affidavit, in due form, make and file in the office of this Board, due proof of

service of all notices by him given or served.

5. He shall attend all meetings of the Board of Health, unless excused or reasonable cause be shown for his absence, and shall present at each regular meeting a written report of his actions since the last regular meeting.

SEC. 15. Duties of the Plumbing Inspector.

—1. He shall perform, under the direction of the Board of Health, or under the direction of the Health Officer, all duties imposed upon him, by special direction, and shall also enforce the Plumbing Code and rules for Drainage and Plumbing which have been adopted by this Board.

2. He shall attend all meetings of the Board of Health unless excused or reasonable cause be shown for his absence.

3. At each regular meeting of this Board he shall present a written report of his official actions since the last regular meeting.

SEC. 16. Duties of Clerk.—The Clerk shall keep all official records required by this Board; he shall keep the book of minutes, in which are recorded the proceedings of the Board, and attend to all such other matters and business as may from time to time be required by the Board. He shall open and answer under the direction of the Board, all communications addressed to the Board and attend to the correspondence of the Board generally, unless otherwise directed.

SEC. 17. Duties of the Registrar of Vital Statistics.—The Registrar of Vital Statistics or the Health Officer shall grant and sign all permits for the interment, re-interment, dis-interment or the removal of the remains of

deceased persons in the City of Geneva, and said Registrar of Vital Statistics shall on or before the 15th day of each month make out and cause to be published a report of the deaths, births and marriages occurring in the city during the previous month; he shall make an annual report on the first day of January in each year and present the same to this Board.

SEC. 18. Other permits.—All permits for the cleaning of privies, cess-pools, vaults and the removing of the contents of the same shall be granted and signed by the Clerk of this Board.

SEC. 19. Registration of Sextons and Scavengers.—The sextons of each of the city cemeteries and all scavengers and other persons who are or may hereafter be authorized by the Board to clean and remove the contents of privies, cess-pools, vaults, etc., are hereby required to register their names in the office of the Board in a book provided for that purpose.

SEC. 20. All Commissioners and Officers Inspectors.—All Commissioners and officers of this Board shall be considered as Inspectors to all intents and purposes.

SEC. 21. Amendments.—All resolutions introduced for the purpose of amending, modifying or repealing these rules and regulations must be presented at a regular meeting of this Board. Such resolution can not be acted upon until the next regular meeting except when all members of the Board are present and shall consent that immediate action be taken.

CODE OF SANITARY ORDINANCES

ADOPTED JUNE 24, 1907.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, }
CITY OF GENEVA, N. Y. }

It is hereby ordained by the Board of Health, of the City of Geneva, as follows:

SECTION 1. Inspection. The inspectors of this department and its proper officers and agents shall make the inspections and examinations required by law; and all persons are hereby forbidden to interfere with or obstruct such inspection or examination and a penalty of twenty-five dollars is hereby imposed upon any person so interfering or obstructing any such inspection or examination or for any violation hereof.

SEC. 2. Nuisances defined.— Whatever is dangerous to human life or health; whatever building, or part of cellar thereof, is overcrowded or not provided with adequate means of ingress and egress, or is not sufficiently supported, ventilated, sewerred, drained, lighted or cleaned; and whatever renders soil, air, water or food impure or unwholesome, are declared to be nuisances and to be illegal; and every person having aided in creating or contributing to the same, or who may support, continue or retain any of them shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this ordinance, and shall also be liable for the expense of the abatement or remedy required.

SEC. 3. Privies, cess-pools, etc.—No privy-pit, cess-pool or reservoir into which any privy, water-closet, stable, sink or other receptacle of refuse or sewage is drained, shall be constructed or maintained in any situation or in any manner whereby, through leakage or overflow of its contents, it may cause pollution of the soil near or about habitations, or of any well, spring or other source of water used for drinking or culinary purposes; nor shall the overflow from any such reservoir or receptacle be permitted to discharge into any public place or in anywise whereby danger to health may be caused. And every such pit, reservoir or receptacle shall be cleaned and the contents thereof removed at such times and under such precautions as the board of health may prescribe. During the months of June, July, August or September no privy vault or cess-pool shall be cleaned except between the hours of 9 p. m. and 5 a. m. No such pit, reservoir or receptacle shall be constructed or maintained in such a manner that the contents thereof shall be accessible to flies. Violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of five dollars for each day's continuance of the nuisance after due notice to abate it from an authorized officer.

SEC. 4. The contents of privies, vaults, cess-pools, sewers, drains, etc., shall not be transported or carried through the city except in air-tight tanks or barrels; and no tank or barrel shall be used for the purpose aforesaid until it shall have been thoroughly painted on the outside and such barrels in use shall only be carried through the streets

when covered from view in a box or by a canvass approved by this Board. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall incur a penalty of ten dollars for each offense, which penalty is hereby imposed for any violation or non-compliance herewith.

SEC. 5. Sewers, drains, etc. — All house sewers or drains for the conveyance of deleterious or offensive matters shall be watertight, and the plans and methods of their construction shall be subject to the approval of the board of health. In streets or avenues where public sewers are or shall be constructed, the board of health may order house-connections to be made therewith.

SEC. 6. House-refuse, garbage, etc.—No house-refuse, offal, garbage, dead animals, decaying vegetable matter, or organic waste substance of any kind, shall be thrown upon any street, road or public place, and no putrid or decaying animal or vegetable matter shall be kept in any house, cellar or adjoining outbuilding for more than twenty-four hours. All receptacles for such garbage, etc., shall be provided with a cover which must be kept properly adjusted to the same. Violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of five dollars.

SEC. 7. Filled in or made land.—No sunken places shall be filled, nor made land constructed, with any materials containing an admixture of putrescible, animal or vegetable matter, under penalty of \$5 for each cartload, or part there, of such materials deposited.

SEC. 8. Noxious trades.—No person or company shall erect or maintain any manufactory or place of business dangerous to life or detrimental to health or where unwholesome offensive or deleterious odors, gas, smoke, deposit, or exhalations are generated, without the permit of the board of health, and all such establishments shall be kept clean and wholesome so as not to be offensive or prejudicial to public health; nor shall any offensive or deleterious waste-substance, gas-tar, sludge, refuse or injurious matter be allowed to accumulate upon the premises or be thrown or allowed to run into any public waters, stream, water-course, street or public place. And every person or company conducting such manufacture or business shall use the best approved and all reasonable means to prevent the escape of smoke, gases and odors, and to protect the health and safety of all operatives employed therein. Any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each offense.

SEC. 9. Unwholesome food.—No meat, fish, bird, fruit, or vegetables, milk, or anything for human food or drink, not being then fresh or properly preserved, sound, wholesome and safe for such use; nor any flesh of any animal which died by disease or which was at the time of its death in a sickly or unwholesome condition; nor the carcass or meat of any calf which was at the date of its death less than four weeks old, or of any lamb which was at the date of its death less than eight weeks old, or of any pig which was at the date of its death less than five weeks old

shall be brought within the limits of this municipality, nor offered or held for sale as food therein. Any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of twenty-five dollars and by the seizure and destruction of such unsound, unwholesome, immature food substances.

SEC. 10. Ice.—No person shall give, offer for sale, or deal in any ice to be consumed or used in the City of Geneva, by meat, fish or provision dealers, or private consumers, except ice taken from pure and wholesome waters. No such person shall give, offer for sale or deal in any ice to be consumed or used in said city, by any such consumer any ice taken from any source or waters that may at any time be condemned by the Board of Health of said City of Geneva. All persons engaged in selling or delivering ice in Geneva, shall register their names and place of business in the office of this Board, and shall print on each and every delivery wagon, their names, together with the name of the waters from which the ice contained therein has been obtained, and on or before the 1st day of April in each year, before selling or delivering any ice for consumption in the City of Geneva, they shall file in the office of this Board, a written statement verified by affidavit, of the quantity of each and every kind of ice they have in store, and where such ice is stored, and from what lake and at what place such ice has been procured. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall incur a penalty of ten dollars for each offense, and a like fine for every twenty-four hours such person shall neglect to refuse

to comply with any requirment hereof, which penalty is hereby imposed for any violation or non-compliance herewith.

SEC. 11. Condemned water.—No person or persons shall use or permit to be used for drinking or culinary purposes the water from any well, spring or other source which has been condemned by this Board or its Health Officer, and any condemned well or other source of water, shall be filled at the expense of the owner, user or agent, on order of this Board. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section, shall incur a penalty of ten dollars in addition to the expense of filling as aforesaid, which penalty is hereby imposed for any violation or non-compliance herewith.

SEC. 12. Milk.—Any person or persons desiring to engage in the business of selling milk or cream within the City of Geneva shall file application with the Board of Health for permission so to do and such application shall be in a form and upon a blank approved by said Board. No person or persons shall sell or deliver milk or cream in the City of Geneva without a license issued by the Board of Health. All licenses shall expire on November 1st in each year.

No person shall deliver milk or cream in bottles at any house that has in it any contagious disease. No person shall bottle milk or cream, for sale, in glass jars, unless said jars have been thoroughly washed and cleaned since having been last filled and no person shall fill such glass jars with milk or cream in any barn or stable or in any public street or place. No person shall sell or give

away milk tickets which have once been used for the purchase of milk. All vehicles from which milk or cream is sold shall have the name of the owner; the number of the license with the word license conspicuously and permanently painted in letters not less than two inches long on each side thereof.

No person shall bring into the city, sell or deliver milk or cream which is produced at any farm, the manager or owner of which refuses to comply with the dairy rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Health.

It shall be the duty of each and every person delivering or selling milk or cream for delivery within the City of Geneva to stop at once such sale or delivery from any farm on which any contagious or infectious disease has appeared; and notify the Board of Health of the City of Geneva at once of the fact.

Any person neglecting or refusing to comply with any requirement of this section shall forfeit any license which may have been issued to him, and in addition to such forfeiture shall incur a penalty of fifty dollars for each offense, to be sued for and recovered by the Board of Health in the name of and for the benefit of the City of Geneva, which penalty is hereby imposed for any violation or non-compliance herewith.

SEC. 13. Exposure of food.—All dealers in such food supplies as are liable to contamination from dirt, or flies, etc., such as milk, meats, fish, vegetables, fruits, candies and cake, must provide a covering of some suitable material to protect any such food exposed for sale from dust, flies, insects, etc. Any violation of this ordi

nance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of five dollars for each day's continuance or repetition of the offense.

SEC. 14. Disposal of dead animals.—Upon the death of any animal within the city limits except when the same is killed for food, the owner or persons having control thereof shall immediately notify the Board of Health or health officer, and remove the carcass to such place as the said Board or officer may direct, and there properly bury or burn the same. Any violation of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of five dollars.

SEC. 15. Slaughter-houses, markets, etc.—No person or persons, without the consent of the Board of Health, shall build or use any slaughter-house within the limits of this municipality and the keeping and slaughtering of all cattle, sheep and swine, and the preparation and keeping of all meat, fish, birds, or other animal food, shall be in the manner best adapted to secure and continue their wholesomeness as food; and every butcher or other person owning, leasing or occupying any place, room or building wherein any cattle, sheep or swine have been or are killed or dressed, and every person being the owner, lessee or occupant of any room or stable wherein any animals are kept, or of any market, public or private, shall cause such place, room, building, stable or market, and their yards and appurtenances, to be thoroughly cleansed and purified, and all offal, blood, fat, garbage, refuse and unwholesome and offensive matter to be removed therefrom at least once in every twenty-four

hours after the use thereof for any of the purposes herein referred to, and shall also at all times keep all wood-work, save floors and counters, in any building, place or premises aforesaid thoroughly painted or whitewashed; and the floors of such building, place or premises shall be so constructed as to prevent blood or foul liquids or washings from settling in the earth beneath. Any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of five dollars for each day's continuance or repetition of the offense.

SEC. 16. **General nuisances.**—No swill, brine, urine of animals, or any stinking, noxious, or offensive liquid of any kind, or any foul or filthy matter whatever shall be allowed to drip, run, or fall from or out of any building, vehicle or structure into or upon any street or public place. Any person violating any provision of this section, shall incur a penalty of five dollars for each offense, and a like penalty for every twenty-four hours such violation shall continue after notice to abate the same, which penalty is hereby imposed for any violation or non-compliance herewith.

SEC. 17. No part of the contents of, or substances from any sink, privy, or cess-pool, nor any manure, ashes, garbage, rubbish or dirt, or any foul liquid, or substance whatever, shall be thrown, placed, allowed to run, fall or drop into or remain in any street or public place or Castle Creek, Cayuga and Seneca Canal or Marsh Creek, except as herein elsewhere specified. Any person violating any provision of this section shall incur a penalty of ten dollars for each offense, and a

penalty of five dollars for each day's continuance or repetition of the offense.

SEC. 18. Vaccination. Every person being the parent or guardian or having the care, custody or control of any minor or other individual shall, to the extent of any means, power and authority of said parent, guardian or other person, cause and procure such minor or individual to be so promptly, frequently and effectively vaccinated, that such minor or individual shall be protected so far as possible from contagious disease. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall incur a penalty of ten dollars which penalty is hereby imposed for any violation or non-compliance herewith.

SEC. 19. Notification of infectious disease.—Every householder or head of family in a house wherein any case of infectious disease may occur shall report the same to the Board of Health or to the health officer within twelve hours from the time of his or her first knowledge of the nature of such disease; and, until instructions are received from the said Board or the health officer, shall not permit any clothing or other article which may have been exposed to infection to be removed from the house; nor shall any occupant change his residence elsewhere without the consent of the said Board of Health or Health Officer.

SEC. 20. Quarantine notice.—It shall be the duty of the Board of Health or health officer to at once place on a conspicuous part of the house in which such patient resides or lodges, a quarantine card and notice, announcing, "Contagious disease within," or the name of the disease within, and forbidding ingress or

egress to or from such house without a written permit from the Board of Health or health officer. No person shall, after the establishment of such quarantine, enter or leave said house except as permitted by the Board of Health or health officer, nor shall any person remove or mar such quarantine card or notice without permission from the Board of Health or health officer. Any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of twenty-five dollars nor shall any child or teacher residing in a house in which there is a case of infectious disease be allowed to attend school without a written permit of the said Board of health officer.

Every physician who may be called to attend a case of infectious disease shall, as soon as he discovers the nature thereof, make a written report specifying the name and residence of the patient, the nature of the disease and any other facts relating thereto which he may deem important to the public health, and affix the date and sign his name thereto, and he shall transmit the same to the Board of Health within twelve hours as above provided. The diseases to be thus promptly reported are: Asiatic cholera, yellow fever, typhus and typhoid fevers, pulmonary tuberculosis, cerebrospinal meningitis, smallpox, scarlet fever, measles and diphtheria. Any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of ten dollars.

SEC. 21. Importation of infected persons or things.—No person or article liable to propagate a dangerous disease shall be brought within the limits of this municipality unless

by the special permit and direction of the Board of Health; and any one having knowledge that such person or article has been brought within such limits shall immediately notify the said Board thereof. Any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of twenty-five dollars.

SEC. 22. Exposure of infected persons or things.—No person shall, within the limits of this municipality, unless by permit of the Board of Health, carry or remove from one building to another any patient affected with any contagious or infectious disease. Nor shall any person, by any exposure of any individual so affected, or of the body of such individual, or of any article capable of conveying contagion or infection, or by any negligent act connected with the care or custody thereof, or by a needless exposure of himself or herself, cause or contribute to the spread of disease from any such individual or dead body. Any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of \$25.

SEC. 23. School and library books.—School book or books from a public or circulating library shall not be taken into the house where smallpox, typhus fever, diphtheria, membranous croup, scarlet fever, measles or whooping cough exists. And if school books or library books have already been taken into such house, they must be destroyed by the owner or library authorities, or be properly disinfected before they are again taken to school or placed in circulation. Any violation of this ordinance shall subject the offending

fending party to a penalty of twenty-five dollars.

SEC. 24. Disinfection of Infected Buildings.

—Any person who knowingly lets for hire or occupancy in any manner, any house, building, room, or part of house or building in which any person has been suffering from any dangerous or infectious disorder or disease without first having such room or part of house or building and all the articles therein liable to retain infection, disinfected according to such written directions as the Board may adopt or direct, shall incur a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each offense, which penalty is hereby imposed for any violation or non-compliance herewith.

SEC. 25 Spitting.—Spitting upon the sidewalk or crosswalk of any public street, avenue, park, public square or place, in the city of Geneva, or upon the floor of any hall in any tenement house which is used in common by the tenants thereof, or upon the floor of any hall or office in any hotel or lodging house which is used in common by the guests thereof, or upon the floor of any theatre, school house, church, store, factory, or of any building which is used in common by the public, or upon the floor of any railroad car or other public conveyance, or upon the floor of any depot or station, or upon the station platform of any railroad or other common carrier, is hereby forbidden.

The corporations or persons owning or having the management or control of any such building, store, factory, railroad car or other public conveyance, or any depot or station, station platform or other common carriers,

are hereby required to keep permanently posted in each of said places a sufficient number of notices forbidding spitting upon the floors and calling attention to the provisions of this section.

The corporation or persons owning or having the management or control of such buildings, stores, factories, depots, stations, station platforms or other common carriers are hereby required to provide sufficient and proper receptacles for expectoration, and also to provide for the cleansing and disinfection of said receptacles at least once every twenty-four hours.

Any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of five dollars.

SEC. 26. Funerals after infectious diseases.

—There shall not be a public or church funeral of any person who has died of Asiatic cholera, smallpox, typhus, or typhoid fever, diphtheria, cerebrospinal meningitis, scarlet fever, or measles, without the permit of the Board of Health therefor; and the family of the deceased shall in all such cases limit the attendance to as few as possible, and take all precautions possible to prevent the exposure of other persons to contagion or infection. Any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of twenty-five dollars.

SEC. 27. Infectious diseases of animals.—

Every person owing, or having the care or custody of any animal which he shall know, or have reason to suspect, is affected with glanders, farcy, anthrax, or any other contagious or infectious disease dangerous to the

public health, shall immediately isolate such animal from other animals, and shall give notice thereof, and of the location of such animal to the health officer or Board of Health. And no person having the care or custody of, or owning any animal affected with, or which there is good reason to believe is affected with such disease, shall lead, drive, or permit such animal to go on or over any public grounds, uninclosed land, or on any street, public highway, lane or alley; nor permit it to drink at any public water trough, pail or spring; nor to keep such diseased animal in any inclosure in or from which diseased animal may come in contact with, or close proximity to, any animal not affected with such disease. And an animal will be deemed as "suspected" when it has stood in the stable with or been in contact with, an animal known to have any of said communicable diseases; or if placed in a stable, yard or other inclosure where such diseased animal has recently been kept. Whenever an animal affected with any of the diseases herein named shall die, or shall be killed, the body of such animal shall be immediately burned. No postmortem examination of the carcass should be made except under the immediate supervision of a health officer or sanitary inspector. All bedding, litter, excrement, etc., that have accumulated about such animal, together with all blood, or other fluid elements that have escaped from it, shall be burned. Dirt floors of stables wherein such animal has been kept shall be removed to a depth of four inches and burned. Everything about the stable, combs, brushes, or any post or fence where it has stood, and every part of

harness or wagon used with such animal, and the stable where it has been kept, shall be thoroughly disinfected under the direction of a duly qualified veterinary surgeon or the health officer. Whenever the owner, or person having charge of any animal declared by the state veterinary surgeon or other authorized person to have the glanders, shall refuse to allow the destruction of said animal, the premises whereon said animal is kept shall be quarantined until such animal is destroyed, and the premises thoroughly disinfected. And any person who shall neglect, or refuse, to obey any of the provisions of this section shall be fined not less than five dollars, nor more than fifty dollars, for each diseased animal, and for each day of such refusal, and for all damages that may result therefrom.

The "quarantine" shall be construed to mean the perfect isolation of all diseased or suspected animals from contact with healthy animals; as well as the exclusion of such healthy animals from the yards, stables, enclosures or grounds wherever said suspected or diseased animals are, or have been kept.

The flesh of pregnant animals must not be sold nor used for human food after the seventh month of pregnancy for cows, and the tenth week for sows.

SEC. 28. Reports of marriages and births.—It shall be the duty of the groom in every marriage, or the clergyman or magistrate performing the ceremony, and of the parents or custodian of every child born, whether alive at birth or stillborn, and the physician or midwife who attended at the birth of such child, to make sure that the prescribed report of

such marriage or birth is presented to the Board of Health or its registering officer within thirty days, under a penalty of five dollars for failure to do so; and for each ten days of continued neglect to present such report, after expiration of the first thirty days, an additional penalty of five dollars shall be incurred.

SEC. 29. It shall be the duty of the physician or midwife in attendance at every birth to write out and sign, upon the form prescribed by the state department of health, the certificate of such birth, and make sure that said certificate is returned to the local Board of Health, or person designated by it to receive it, within thirty days of such birth. Any violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of five dollars.

SEC. 30. **Certificates of death and burial permits.**—Every undertaker or other person who may have charge of the funeral of any dead person, shall procure a properly filled-out certificate of the death and its probable cause, in accordance with the form prescribed by the state department of health, and shall present the same to the designated officer or member of the Board of Health, and obtain a burial or transit permit thereupon, at least twenty-four hours before the time appointed for such funeral; and he shall not remove any dead body until such burial or transit shall have been procured.

Bodies brought to this city from other points shall not be received for burial in any cemetery until the Register of Vital Statistics shall have issued or indorsed the burial

permit. Any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of ten dollars.

SEC. 31. It shall be the duty of the physician last in attendance upon any person who may die within the limits of the jurisdiction of this Board of Health, to write out and sign without delay, upon the form prescribed by the state department of health, the professional certificate of the death and send it to or leave it with the family of the deceased, or hand or send it to the undertaker in charge of the remains. In case an inquest has been required by law, the coroner shall fill out the said certificate, and if no inquest has been required by law and no physician has been in attendance, the certificate shall be filled out setting forth the probable or believed cause of death, by some reputable person known to the officer issuing the burial or transit burial permit, and the said person shall also make affidavit to the facts set forth in the certificate, which affidavit must be attached to said certificate. Any violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of ten dollars.

SEC. 32. **Sextons, cemetery keepers, etc.**—Every person who acts as a sexton, or undertaker, or cemetery keeper, within the limits of this municipality, or has the charge or care of any tomb, vault, burying ground or other place for the reception of the dead, or where the bodies of any human beings are deposited, shall so conduct his business and so care for any such place above named, as to avoid detriment or danger to public health;

and every person undertaking preparations for the burial of a body dead from contagious or infectious disease as hereinbefore enumerated shall adopt such precautions as the Board of Health may prescribe to prevent the spread of such disease. Any violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall subject the offending party to a penalty of ten dollars.

SEC. 33. **Misrepresentation.**—Any person who shall falsely represent himself to be a member, agent, employee of or to be in any manner connected with this Board, shall incur a penalty of ten dollars for each offense, which penalty is hereby imposed for any violation or non-compliance herewith.

SEC. 34. **Penalties.**—Every person who wilfully violates or refuses to comply with, or who resists any ordinance, order, regulation or resolution of the Board of Health of this municipality will be liable to the arrest, action, penalty, fine and punishment provided and declared in the public health law, chapter 25 of the general laws, 1893, of which notice must be taken.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
COUNTY OF ONTARIO, } ss.

I hereby certify that I have compared the preceding with the original on file in the office of the Board of Health in the City of Geneva, N. Y., that the same is a true copy of said original and of the whole thereof.

The above code of ordinances was adopted by the Board of Health of the City of Geneva, at a meeting of said Board held on the

24th day of June, 1907, and that each of said ordinances was duly published after its adoption as by law required and that said ordinance and each of them are now in force.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said city, this 4th day of September, 1907.

EDWARD J. MULCAHY,
Clerk.

SMOKE ORDINANCE

of the City of Geneva, in effect
January 1, 1908

AS TO SMOKE FROM CHIMNEYS

Subdivision (a). **Color Scale**—For the purpose of regulating the emission of smoke from chimneys, stacks, flues of open spaces within the City of Geneva, and to determine by comparison the degree of darkness of smoke so emitted, a color scale shall be and the same is hereby adopted as follows:

A dead white surface of cardboard or other material, not less than sixteen inches in length and in width, shall be divided into squares by straight dead black lines drawn at right angles to one another across said surface. Each of said lines shall be of a uniform width of one twenty-fourth of an inch and shall be spaced one-quarter of an inch from centers. The color of the above scale when viewed from a distance of not less than one hundred feet in the open air, shall be used as a basis of comparison of the color of smoke in the City of Geneva.

Subdivision (b). **Dark Smoke Forbidden**—It is forbidden and hereby declared to be unlawful to suffer or permit the escape of smoke from any fire not in motion or fire banked or in a state of rest, or from any burning or active fire through a stationary stack, flue or chimney, of a color darker than said scale provided, however, that the provisions of this

ordinance shall not apply to the escape of smoke from any stationary stack, flue or chimney, for a period of not to exceed five minutes whenever the successful operation and management of any fire necessarily requires such escape of smoke, but such escape of smoke shall not be permitted or allowed for such period of time more often than once in four consecutive hours.

Subdivision (c). Locomotives and Boats—

It is forbidden and declared to be unlawful within the City of Geneva, to suffer or permit the escape of smoke of a degree of darkness in excess of said scale from any locomotive or steam craft standing with banked fires or engaged in shifting or moving within the city limits, or to suffer or permit the escape of smoke of a degree of darkness in excess of said scale for a period of more than ten minutes from any locomotive or steam craft whose fires may be in preparation for starting, but such escape of smoke shall not be permitted or allowed for such period of time more often than once in twenty-four consecutive hours, provided, however, that none of the provisions of this ordinance shall apply in the case of a locomotive or canal steam craft in transit through or across or along the docks or lakeshore or through the canal in said city, from some point outside of said city, or entering or departing therefrom, if such locomotive or steam craft shall not stop within said city for a period or periods amounting in the aggregate to more than five minutes.

Subdivision (d). **Time Excepted**—The provisions of this section shall not apply between the hours of 5 a. m., and 7:30 a. m.

Subdivision (e). **Special Penalties**—Any corporation or person or persons who shall violate any of the provisions of this section, or shall suffer or permit any of the acts in this section forbidden or declared to be unlawful, shall be subject to a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each offense, to be recovered in a civil action by the City of Geneva.

Subdivision (f). **Enforcement**—It is hereby made the duty of the Health Officer and Sanitary Inspector to enforce the provisions of this section.

Copies of the Color Scale mentioned in this ordinance may be had by applying to the Clerk of the Board of Health.

PLUMBING CODE

At a joint meeting of the Examining and Supervising Board of Plumbers and Plumbing with the Board of Health of the City of Geneva, held in the City of Geneva May 13, 1907, the following rules and regulations were adopted:

In accordance with Chapter 602, Laws 1892 of the state of New York, and Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, the Examining and Supervising Board of Plumbers and Plumbing in conjunction with the Board of Health of the City of Geneva, N. Y., do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Every master plumber, before engaging in the business of plumbing in the City of Geneva, N. Y., shall appear in person at the office of the Board of Health of the said city, and register his name and place of business with the Clerk of said Board in a book kept for that purpose. He shall also furnish a certificate of competency, signed by the Examining Board of Plumbers, that the applicant is known to them as a person educated to the business and qualified to receive a license. Notice of any change in the place of business of a registered master plumber shall be immediately given to the Board. Plumbers desiring to obtain a license will be required to pay a fee of five dollars for the same.

SEC. 2. The plumbing and drainage for all buildings in the City of Geneva shall be executed in accordance with specifications furnished by the owner or architect, previously approved in writing by the Board of Health, and suitable specifications of the said plumbing and drainage shall, in each case, be submitted and placed on file in the office of said Board. Blank abstracts of the specifications for plumbing and drainage will be furnished on application at the office of the said Board. No work of plumbing and drainage shall be executed except in accordance with the specifications approved by the said Board. Notice must be sent to the Board of Health whenever the work is sufficiently advanced for inspection.

SEC. 3. The Plumbing Inspector of the Board of Health shall be notified promptly by the master plumber when the plumbing and drainage work of any building or portion thereof, is completed and ready for inspection and testing. All work must be left uncovered and convenient for examination until inspected and approved. Any such system put in and covered without notice to the inspector must be uncovered for inspection at the direction of said inspector. The inspector of plumbing must inspect all work within two days after receiving written notification that the same is complete.

SEC. 4. No application for inspection of new work will be received unless accompanied with an abstract fully made out from specifications previously filed with and approved by the Board of Health.

SEC. 5. Plumbers must make full returns of plumbing work done by them within forty-eight hours after completion thereof.

SEC. 6. After a specification has been approved, no alterations of the same will be allowed, except on written application to the Board of Health by the owner or agent of the premises on which the work is being done.

Plan of Drainage and Plumbing Approved by the Board of Health

RULE 1. All material must be of good quality and free from defects. The work must be executed in a thorough and workmanlike manner.

RULE 2. The drain, soil, waste, back air pipes and traps must, where practicable, be exposed to view for ready inspection at all times and for convenience in repairing.

RULE 3. In buildings where tile is used for waste or soil pipe under said buildings no new connection for water closets or other fixtures can be made with the drain unless the tile is taken out, if defective, and replaced by iron soil pipe as specified in Rule 8.

RULE 4. Every building must be separately and independently connected with the street sewer, except where special permission is granted by this Board.

RULE 5. Where there is no properly constructed or available sewer in the street, and it is necessary to construct a private sewer to connect with a sewer on an adjacent street or avenue, application must be made to this Board for permission so to do and in no case will permission be given to run this drain under any building or through any cellar, unless it is made of iron pipe (same size as tile) laid to a uniform grade and joints made with lead and oakum, calked perfectly tight.

RULE 6. In all new work the house drain must be iron pipe of good material, with a fall of at least one quarter of an inch to the foot and connected with the tile pipe at a point at least three feet outside of cellar wall.

RULE 7. Where it is impracticable to fasten waste or soil pipes to cellar walls or ceilings they must be laid in a trench. In all cases iron pipe must be used and laid to a uniform grade with joints made tight with lead and oakum.

RULE 8. The soil pipe and house drain should be laid in a straight line, if possible. All changes in directions should be made with curved pipes and all connections with horizontal soil and drain pipes must, if possible, be made with Y fittings and necessary bends.

RULE 9. Any house drain or sewer put in and covered without due notice to this Board, must be uncovered for inspection at the direction of the Plumbing Inspector.

RULE 10. A running or half S trap must be placed on the house drain at an accessible point. This trap, if placed in cellar, must be furnished with a handhole for convenience in cleaning, the cover of which must be properly fitted and made gas and air tight; or this trap may be left out at the discretion of the Plumbing Inspector in the business section of the city, in blocks which are three or more stories high, and the soil pipe continues full size up to and one foot above the roof or above the highest adjoining building.

RULE 11. There must be a four-inch fresh air inlet provided with a suitable cap entering

the trap or just inside of the trap of the house drain. It must lead to the outer air and extend at least twelve inches above the surface.

RULE 12. No brick, sheet metal, earthenware or chimney flue shall be used as a sewer ventilator, nor to ventilate any trap, drain, soil or waste pipe.

RULE 13. Every vertical soil pipe and waste pipe must be of iron or lead. The soil pipe must be of undiminished size, with open end and must extend at least one foot above the roof; it must not open near an air shaft which ventilates living rooms.

RULE 14. Soil and vent pipes in an extension must be extended above the roof of the main building when otherwise they would open within twenty feet of the windows of the main building or adjoining building.

RULE 15. The minimum diameter of soil pipe permitted is four inches. A vertical waste pipe, into which a line of kitchen sinks discharge, must be at least two inches in diameter, with one and a quarter inch, one and a half inch or two inch branches.

RULE 16. Where lead pipe is used to connect fixtures with vertical soil or waste pipes, or to connect traps with vertical vent pipes it must not be lighter than grade known as D.

RULE 17. All iron pipes must be sound, free from holes and of a uniform thickness of not less than one-eighth of an inch for a diameter of two, three or four inches or five thirty-seconds of an inch for a diameter of five or six inches; and in case the building is over fifty feet in height above the curb, the

use of what is known as extra heavy pipe and corresponding fittings are required to the height of two-thirds of the height of the building unless there are fixtures above; in which case it must go to the point where such fixtures connect. Balance through roof may be standard pipe.

RULE 18. Before the soil pipe and fittings are connected they must be thoroughly coated inside and outside with coal tar pitch applied hot or some other equivalent substance unless plain untarred pipe is specified.

RULE 19. All joints in the iron drain, soil and waste pipes must be calked with oakum and lead so as to make them impermeable to gas.

RULE 20. When tile is used for the house drain, it must be laid in a trench cut through a uniform grade and the soil well rammed to prevent settling, and the space between hub and next section of pipe be completely filled with the best quality of Portland cement. A scraper or wiper must be used after the cement is applied to each joint before the next section is laid, to remove any cement that may have been forced into the pipe.

This rule applies to the house drain from the street line to the building only.

RULE 21. All connections of lead with cast iron pipe must be made with a ferrule of the same size as the lead pipe, put in the hub of the iron pipe and calked with oakum or by male threaded, ground-jointed solder unions. The lead must be attached to the ferrule or solder union by a wiped joint.

RULE 22. All connections of lead waste pipes must be by wiped joints.

RULE 23. Every water closet, urinal, sink, basin, bath-tub and wash tray or set of trays must be separately and effectively trapped.

RULE 24. In old work where pan or plunger closets are found defective they must be removed and replaced with a sanitary closet requiring a full sized vent pipe from new closet to extend up to and through the roof. In case the closet is in the basement, and the conditions are found sanitary and it is found impracticable to run a four-inch vent up through the roof it may be vented by running a line of two-inch cast iron drain pipe for kitchen sink waste and extending it up through the roof, if approved by the inspector.

RULE 25. Traps must be placed as near the fixtures as practicable.

RULE 26. In no case shall the waste from a bath-tub or other fixtures be connected with a water closet trap.

RULE 27. The traps, of all fixtures, excepting closets, must be protected from syphonage by a special air pipe same size as waste taken out near crown of trap and run above the highest fixture and connected into stack or run through the roof. Branches from several traps may be connected together if the size of the pipe is increased in proportion to the number of branches so connected. In case of sink or basin with an outlet within one foot of stack and the waste enters the stack one foot above the floor it may be put in without venting crown of trap.

RULE 28. In all new work all closets except the highest closet when within five feet of the stack and the closet in basement as described in Rule 24 must be protected from syphonage by a two-inch pipe taken out from below the floor and carried up above the roof or connected into the stack above the highest fixture or they must be vented by the loop system of ventilation.

RULE 29. In all cases vent pipes must be of lead, cast or wrought iron and connected to trap with brass soldering unions soldered or wiped to trap.

RULE 30. The vent pipes must be carried up one foot above the roof, full size diameter or they may be branched into the soil pipe above the top of the highest fixture. They may be combined by branching together those which serve several traps if the size of the pipe is increased in proportion to the number of branches so connected. These vent pipes must have a continuous slope to avoid collecting water by condensation, and where impracticable to run vent pipes, as at soda fountains and bar sinks, venting of traps may be by the McClellan anti-syphon trap vent or vent equally as good, if approved by the Plumbing Inspector.

RULE 31. Every safe under a wash basin, bath, water closet or other fixture, must be drained by a special pipe not directly connected with any soil pipe, waste pipe, drain or sewer, but discharge into an open sink, upon the cellar floor, or outside the house.

RULE 32. The waste pipe from a refrigerator shall not be directly connected with the

soil or waste pipes or with the drain or sewer; it should discharge into an open sink. Such waste pipe should be so arranged as to admit of frequent flushing, and should be as short as possible and disconnected from the refrigerator.

RULE 33. All water closets within the building must be supplied with water from main supply or a tank of sufficient size located above the same. A group of closets may be supplied from one tank, but water closets on different floors are not permitted to be flushed from one tank.

RULE 34. When closets are supplied from tanks the pipe from tank to closet shall in no case be less than one and one-fourth inches in diameter, and Ricketts patent rubber connection or a connection equally as good shall be used to connect the flush pipe to the bowl of the closet.

RULE 35. Rain water leaders must never be used as soil, waste or vent pipes, nor shall soil, waste or vent pipes be used as a leader. No roof or surface water will be allowed to be conducted into the sanitary sewer.

RULE 36. Permission to lay or construct house drains from sewer or cess-pool to a point within three feet of cellar wall and connect with cast-iron soil pipe will be granted to responsible parties provided the work is done under the personal supervision of the Plumbing Inspector.

RULE 37. No steam exhaust, blow-off from boiler, or waste from cooling coil or steam trap will be allowed to be connected with any soil or waste pipe, or directly with the house

drain. They **must** discharge into an open sink or pit which is connected to house drain by a T or Y fitting and provided with a Palmer sewer valve or one equally as good placed in waste pipe between sink or pit and house drain.

RULE 38. No subsoil or surface drain other than cellar drain shall be, directly or indirectly, connected with the sanitary sewer. The cellar drain when so connected shall be provided with a trap and a brass screw ferrule.

RULE 39. When the drain from an area is connected with the house drain it must be effectively trapped. Front areas must be connected with the house drain inside of the running trap.

RULE 40. In new work no closets will be allowed in any cellar or basement unless they are sanitary closets flushed with a tank, tightly partitioned off from the cellar or other rooms and the door provided with a device to keep it shut when not in use. There shall be at least one soil pipe line in the building, not less than four inches in diameter, extending full size up to and through the roof. Light and ventilation for all water closet rooms in cellar or basement shall be furnished by a window of at least three square feet area, opening into the outer air, or light may be furnished from another room by means of a tight window same size as above, and the ventilation furnished by means of a ventilating stack or pipe of at least fifteen square inches area connected to a chimney flue above the highest opening or run-up to and through the roof and capped.

RULE 41. When a privy vault or cess-pool must necessarily be used it must be at least fifty feet from any well and the privy vault or cess-pool must be made absolutely water tight.

RULE 42. A water closet shall not be located in a sleeping room or pantry or in any room where provisions are stored.

RULE 43. When the plumbing inspector is in doubt as to the interpretation of any of these rules or of any new condition that may arise, he may advise with the Health Officer, or with any member of the Board of Health or Board of Examining Plumbers. If he finds it advisable to waive any of these rules he has the privilege of so doing if he submits a written report of the same to the Board at its next regular meeting.

RULE 44. These rules may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of this Board with the consent of a majority of the Board of Examining Plumbers.

RULE 45. The foregoing Rules and Regulations for the Registration of Plumbers and for plumbing and drainage in the City of Geneva, shall take effect immediately.

FIRE ALARM BOXES

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

- 17 Corner Pulteney and Courtland
- 18 Corner Main and St. Clair
- 19 Corner William and Grove
- 23 Corner Pulteney and William
- 24 Corner Castle and Brook
- 25 Corner Washington and Park Place
- 26 Seneca, at City Hall
- 27 Corner Main and Castle
- 28 Corner Washington and West
- 36 Corner Elmwood Avenue and Elmwood Place
- 37 Corner Main and Lewis
- 38 Corner LaFayette Avenue and Cherry
- 43 North Street at Preserving Works
- 45 Corner Genesee and Lewis
- 46 Corner Genesee and North
- 48 Torrey Park Cold Storage
- 54 Corner Exchange and State
- 61 Corner Exchange and Castle
- 62 Bradford at Patent Cereals Works
- 63 Lake at Malt House
- 65 Evans at Stove Works
- 72 Corner Seneca and Exchange
- 73 Corner Exchange and Tillman
- 74 Middle at Wagon Works
- 76 Corner E. North and Hallenbeck Avenue
- 126 Opera House, Seneca Street
- 162 Patent Cereal Co., Bradford Street
- 164 Fay and Bowen, Lake Street
- 165 Phillips & Clark Stove Co., Evans Street
- 143 Geneva Preserving Co., North Street
- 174 Geneva Wagon Co., Middle Street
- 175 Summit Foundry Co., Andes Avenue
- 135 Standard Optical Co., Lyceum Street
- 172 Herendeen Mfg. Co., Exchange

SIGNAL CODE

- 2 Blows—Fire Out
- 3 Blows—Steamer Co.
- 4 Blows—Hydrant Hose Co.
- 5 Blows—Nester Co.
- 6 Blows—Ogoyago Hose Co.
- 9 Blows—General Alarm

JOHN A. MURRAY, Chief Engineer

